

CLAIMS

I Claim:

1. A method of attenuating an immune system mediated inflammatory response in the respiratory tract of humans or non-human animals, comprising administration by oral inhalation, or nasal spray, a composition containing therapeutically effective amounts of trichothecene or a mixture of trichothecenes.
2. The method of claim 1 wherein said trichothecene is a fragment or sub-unit of trichothecene or fragment or sub-unit of a sesquiterpene epoxide which still possesses the biological activity of inhibiting protein synthesis.
3. A method of attenuating hyperactive protein synthesis by mast cells or other secretory cells in the respiratory tract of humans or non-human animals, comprising administration by oral inhalation, or nasal spray, a composition containing therapeutically effective amounts of trichothecene or a mixture of trichothecenes.
4. The method of claim 3 wherein said trichothecene is a fragment or sub-unit of trichothecene or fragment or sub-unit of a sesquiterpene epoxide which still possesses the biological activity of inhibiting protein synthesis.